

MENOMONIE AIRPORT COMMISSION
MARCH 15, 2005

A regular meeting of the Menomonie Airport Commission was called to order at 7:30PM on Tuesday, March 15, 2005 at the Menomonie Municipal Airport Terminal Building by Chairman Bob Willow. Other members present included Dan Johnson and Bruce Trimble. Also present were Louis Paffel, Randy Eide, Earl Wildenburg, Greg Hustead and Vince Hague. A motion was made by Trimble, seconded by Johnson to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2005 regular Menomonie Airport Commission meeting. Motion carried. There were no public comments on the published agenda items.

Under old business Chairman Willow updated the commission on the GPS Wide Area Augmentation System (WAAS) navigational approach status for the Menomonie Municipal Airport. Chairman Willow also informed the commission that Randy Eide and himself will be visiting the Bureau of Aeronautics (BoA) on March 17th to get the latest status on our WAAS navigational approach request plus other program information from the BoA.

Eide updated the commission on the results of the last Airport Long Range Plan (ALRP) Meeting held on March 8th, 2005. The airport strengths and weaknesses were further defined at the March 8th ALRP meeting and field trips are being planned for Red Wing and Rice Lake airports before the strengths and weaknesses are prioritized. The next ALRP meeting will be held on May 10th at 7:30 PM at City Hall.

Eide informed the commission that the Bureau of Aeronautics has officially accepted the City's Airport Zoning Ordinance Petition and the next step is to advertise for consultants. A Request For Proposals (RFP) will be written, advertised and sent to various consulting firms.

Commissioner Johnson requested his glider hangar application be pulled from the agenda until further notice.

The Commission discussed the need for non-precision GPS Approaches on runways 09, 18 and 36. The Commission agreed it would be beneficial to have non-precision GPS approaches on all of the runway approaches and concluded the priority order (if we are restricted on the number of GPS approaches) would be approach 09 first, approach 36 second and approach 18 as the final priority.

Under planning chart review, Commissioner Johnson requested the City look at the "smoothness" at the runway ends. Johnson was concerned about the negative impact of grade changes at the end of the runways if an aircraft landed short or overran the runway end.

Under new business the Commission reviewed Ron Brown's request to expand his existing hangar. The Commission concluded there was not enough detail available to act on the request and requested Ron Brown be invited to the next Airport Commission meeting to help the Commission understand his request. Eide presented different hangar building options to the Commission using the existing available land.

Under the airport manager's report Louise Paffel submitted a hangar construction request by Earl Wildenburg. The Wildenburg request will be added to the April Airport Commission agenda for discussion and possible action.

Johnson requested the administration to investigate the possibility of better illuminating the wind sock and tetrahedron so they are more visible at night.

Respectfully submitted,

Randy D. Eide,
Acting Recording Secretary

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